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For : THERMAL SHIELD AND HERMETIC SEAL FOR PREVENTING
DETERIOARATION OF PLASTIC INSULATION IN OPEN ACCESS
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir :

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, §1.97 and §1.98, Applicant hereby calls the following information, which was cited during the prosecution of parent application no. 10/096,256 and grandparent application no. 09/604,926 (now U.S. Patent No. 6,378,202) to the Examiner's attention:

“An Examination of Temperature Rise Inside Aerial Splice Closures,” Emanuel A. Capadona and Dave LaPointe, OUTSIDE PLANT, July 1988; Applicant notes that this document is discussed on page 2 of the specification of the instant application;

U.S. Patent No. 2,967,795 to BOLLIMEIER et al., issued on January 10, 1961;

U.S. Patent No. 3,175,032 to STRAUSS, issued on March 23, 1965;

U.S. Patent No. 3,614,295 to GILLEMOT, issued on October 19, 1971;

U.S. Patent No. 3,710,003 to CHANNELL, issued on January 9, 1973;

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U.S. Patent No. 3,848,074 to CHANNELL, issued on November 12, 1974;
U.S. Patent No. 3,868,475 to ALLISON, issued on February 25, 1975;
U.S. Patent No. 4,098,449 to NOESEN, issued on July 4, 1978;
U.S. Patent No. 4,221,924 to GABRIEL et al., issued on September 9, 1980;
U.S. Patent No. 4,466,843 to SHIMIRAK, issued on August 21, 1984;
U.S. Patent No. 4,647,719 to CAMPBELL et al., issued on March 3, 1987;
U.S. Patent No. 4,654,474 to CHARLEBOIS et al., issued on March 31, 1987;
U.S. Patent No. 4,737,600 to MATHIS et al., issued on April 12, 1988;
U.S. Patent No. 4,880,962 to NOLF et al., issued on November 14, 1989;
U.S. Patent No. 4,885,194 to TIGHT et al., issued on December 5, 1989;
U.S. Patent No. 4,933,512 to NIMIYA et al., issued on June 12, 1990;
U.S. Patent No. 5,214,243 to JOHNSON, issued on May 25, 1993;
U.S. Patent No. 5,451,278 to NOLF, issued on September 19, 1995;
U.S. Patent No. 5,455,391 to DEMESMAEKER et al., issued on October 3, 1995;
U.S. Patent No. 5,456,959 to DAWES, issued on October 10, 1995;
U.S. Patent No. 5,753,854 to RICHARDS et al., issued on May 19, 1998;
U.S. Patent No. 5,793,921 to WILKINS et al., issued on August 11, 1998;
U.S. Patent No. 5,817,979 to O'NEILL, issued on October 6, 1998;
U.S. Patent No. 6,160,222 to CLAVERIE, issued on December 12, 2000;
U.S. Patent No. 5,821,459 to CHEENNE-ASTORINO et al., issued on October 13, 1998;
U.S. Patent No. 4,731,272 to MELTSCH, issued on March 15, 1988;

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U.S. Patent No. 5,684,274 to MCLEOD, issued on November 4, 1997; and

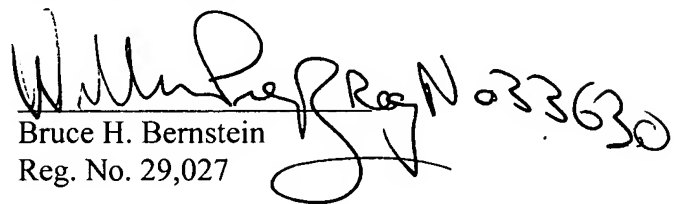
U.S. Patent No. 5,753,861 to HANSEN et al., issued on May 19, 1998.

Applicant notes that the above-mentioned documents were either submitted with an Information Disclosure Statement or were provided by the Examiner in the above-mentioned parent application, and thus, copies of the same are not attached hereto.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider and cite the above-noted documents. The documents have been listed on a PTO-1449 Form which is attached hereto. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the PTO-1449 Form and to return the form to the Applicant with the next official communication in the present application to confirm consideration of this document.

Should there be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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